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SOCIAL & PERSONAL

President Ephraim Katzir yesterday awarded prizes for volunteer work to four individuals and two organizations: Esther Mason of Aminadav, Emanuel and Rahel Frankel of Tel Aviv, Odessa Rygal of Pardes Hanna, the Jerusalem Volunteers Committee, and "Harama al Hagova," a group of young people from three Golan settlements. The ceremony took place at the Jerusalem Theatre in the presence of Absorption Minister David Levy, Esther Heritz, chairman of the Centre for Volunteer Services, and Alisa Begin.

The President yesterday received a delegation of Mexican scientists, here as guests of the Technion.

Prof. Shlomo Avineri, Herbert Samuel Professor of Political Science at the Hebrew University, has been elected a member of the International Institute of Philosophy.

"Birth Control and Abortion," a dialogue on contemporary Halacha, will be discussed this evening, in English, by Rabbi Theodore Friedman and Prof. Ze'ev W. Falk at the Hebrew University Forum. The meeting will be at 8 o'clock at the United Synagogue Centre, 2 Agon, Jerusalem.

ARRIVALS

Abba Eban, former foreign minister, from a speaking tour of the U.S., where he also met with national security adviser Zbigniew Brzezinski and former secretary of state Henry Kissinger.

Daniel Mayer, chairman of World ORT Union Executive Committee, former minister of labour in the French cabinet and president of the League for the Protection of Human Rights, to participate in the 24th Biennial National Convention of Women's American ORT, taking place in Jerusalem.

Labour Ministry Director-General Arye Gur-El, from visits to West Berlin, Frankfurt and Bonn in connection with training programmes for Israeli building trades specialists.

Alia Kuznetz, to rest in between rounds of the world chess championships for women.

Moshe Pomeroy, Israel Maritime League chairman, from a trip to the U.S. on league business.

Eliahu Honig, director of the Hebrew University's Department of Information and Public Affairs, from a university mission to Australia and New Zealand.

The UJA New York Leadership Mission. (Communicated)

DEPARTURES

Yosef Klarman, head of Youth Aliya, for the U.S., to encourage children of Israelis residing abroad to go to school in Israel until their parents' return.

Arye Dulzin, treasurer of the Jewish Agency, for the U.S., to lecture at the opening of the World Jewish Congress session in Washington next week.

MENDI BODAN will conduct the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra's subscription concert series No. 2 in the concert hall of the Tel Aviv Museum.

The first concert will be held tonight at the Mann Auditorium in Tel Aviv.

Gov't approves El Al reorganization plan

By SHLOMO MAOZ
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Finance Minister Simha Ehrlich told a press conference in Jerusalem yesterday that the government has approved the reorganization plan submitted by the El Al reorganization committee headed by Construction and Housing Minister Gideon Patt. He said the government is determined to shut down the airline if the company's reorganization is obstructed by the works committees.

The recommendations call for El Al to have a salaried chairman of the board, who will be engaged full time and will, together with the general manager, be the company's top management.

The main principle adopted by the government is that workers will no longer be allowed to present wage demands within the period of a valid wage agreement. According to the recommendations, El Al is to open negotiations with the workers before the expiration of the current wage agreement in March 1978. The government is to participate in the

negotiations, and the workers council, which will be set up, will have to sign the new wage agreement. Strikes will be subject to a secret ballot.

In the future there will be only two works committees — one for ground crews and the other for air crews — instead of the present eight committees. The recommendations also define clearly the limits of responsibility of management and workers, respectively.

The new wage agreement will gradually reduce the foreign currency component in El Al's wage structure. All disputes will be submitted to agreed arbitration, and a disciplinary court will be set up to adjudicate breaches of work discipline.

The company will have to introduce a productivity incentive system to increase workers' interest in the company. Representatives of the workers will sit on the board of directors.

The El Al spokesman yesterday said that he could not comment on the government's action.

WZO meeting to discuss its role beyond the Green Line

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The World Zionist Executive will today discuss its responsibilities for settlement outside the Green Line and allegations that Agriculture Minister Ariel Sharon has tried to bypass it by setting up a ministerial committee that excludes the Zionist Organization.

The issue, raised urgently last week by executive members Richard Hirsch and Avraham Schenker, was put on today's agenda. Zionist Executive chairman Yosef Almog did not open discussion when the expanded executive met on Thursday, according to Almog aides, because "there were too many other things to discuss."

Shortly after the new government came to power, it formed the Ministerial Committee on Hityashuv (settlement), which operated in conjunction with representatives of the WZO. But Sharon complained privately that WZO members had leaked information on proceedings to the press, including plans for settlement in the West Bank. After a while, Sharon called sessions without informing the WZO partners of the agenda.

When Gush Emunim urged government approval for new settlement in Samaria, Sharon formed the Ministerial Committee on Hityashuv (this word also means settlement), which included only cabinet ministers.

A number of WZO officials complained that the new body was merely a gimmick to keep them out of settlement plans.

(The WZO is responsible for implementing settlement plans outside the Green Line; the Jewish Agency's settlement department works within the Green Line; the government is charged with setting policy.)

Although there will probably be no vote at today's executive meeting, Hirsch will demand clarification of whether the WZO should merely "obey" the government when it selects settlement sites and formulates policy, or whether the chairman of the settlement department, is expected to lead off the discussion.

Several executive members concede that they cannot forbid the government to meet alone on settlement issues, but they will call for greater coordination with the WZO.

Zionist Council seeks tenfold budget hike

TEL AVIV. — A tenfold budget increase, representation on the Zionist Executive, and voting rights in Zionist Congress elections for 17 year olds are among the demands which the Israeli Zionist Council intends to raise at the upcoming Zionist Congress.

Arye Zimuni, chairman of the council, raised these points yesterday while rejecting recommendations that a new department be set up in the World Zionist Organization to oversee the work of the council.

"A new department would mean more expense and more bureaucracy," Zimuni said. "We are getting the work done as volunteers and are able to attract other volunteers — including the mayors of development towns. But our budget is IL1.5m. and our expenses IL10m. What we need isn't more bureaucrats, but more money."

Loaded pistol found in Jerusalem garbage can

A loaded pistol was found in a garbage can in Jerusalem's Rehov Habahma Hashlishit yesterday, along with a matchbox containing seven bullets.

A few hours earlier, police discovered another pistol hidden elsewhere in the city. They are investigating both cases in an attempt to establish the identity of the owners of the pistols. (Itim)

Supreme Court stiffens woman's punishment

The Supreme Court yesterday increased the punishment of a mother of five who had been convicted of burglary and possession of a stolen gun and stolen goods.

Sarah Shoshani, 38, of Jaffa, had been found guilty by the Tel Aviv District Court of breaking into the offices of a Tel Aviv firm, together with her husband and two others, last December 10. They stole a safe containing promissory notes worth IL45 million and IL37,000 in cash. The cash has not been recovered.

The district court handed down a two-year suspended sentence. The Supreme Court yesterday changed this to one year in jail and one year suspended. The court consisted of the president, Justice Yehoshua Kahan, and Justices Alfred Witkon and Miriam Ben-Porat. (Itim)

Survey traces the blind

Some 3,800 blind persons have been identified in a country-wide survey conducted recently by the Social Welfare Ministry's volunteer unit.

A spokesman for the ministry, who released the findings of the survey yesterday, said the purpose was to trace the country's blind citizens and make certain they were aware of the facilities and services available to them.

New teachers' courses

TEL AVIV. — Teachers who have not yet met licensing requirements will now be able to obtain certification by taking courses to be given jointly by the Histradut Teachers Union and the Education Ministry.

The new courses will be given all over the country during school vacations and after school hours on working days. According to ministry statistics, on about 1,400 of the country's more than 30,000 teachers do not hold licences.

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Four people had a close call in Jerusalem yesterday, when the car in which they were travelling broke in two after slamming into an electricity pylon on the way to the Mount of Olives. They were taken to hospital, where their condition was described as satisfactory. (Samphot)

Arab villagers strike against water shortage

Jerusalem Post Reporter

UMM EL-FAHM. — Residents of this Arab community of 16,000 yesterday held a strike in protest against a water shortage. They complained that Mekorot, the national water company, is not supplying enough water for drinking and washing.

Schools and shops remained closed yesterday during the strike. Thousands of workers who are employed in other parts of the country stayed home in protest.

The Mekorot spokesman said that a new well has been dug, but that Arab farmers in the area are refusing to give right-of-way for the pipeline to reach the village. Negotiations are reported to be under way so that the new water supply will reach the village by next summer.

Classes start at Tel Aviv Univ.

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The new school year at Tel Aviv University opened yesterday with a student population of about 15,000, approximately the same number as last year.

But the number of applicants was seven per cent higher than last year, according to the rector, Prof. Shalom Aharbanel.

In some of the more popular faculties (medicine, engineering, law, accounting, and social work) the ratio of applicants to students accepted was as high as 14 to 1, he added.

The university's budget has decreased by about 10 per cent in real terms over the last three years, Aharbanel said.

In addition to the regular students, about 600 adults will begin non-credit courses in the university's new Extension Services Unit. Among these is one course on the Arab-Israeli conflict, and another on crime and drug abuse.

Zevulun Ya'ari of Bedek dies

Israel Aircraft Industries deputy general manager Zevulun Ya'ari, one of the firm's founders, died on Thursday of his Givratgim theme after a long illness. He was 64.

Born in Poland, Ya'ari settled in Israel in 1938, at the age of 23, and worked for some time as chief accountant in the Nurock and Ideleson Bank. He served in the Air Force between 1948 and 1951 as head of the pay section, and in 1953 helped found Israel Aircraft Industries (then Bedek). He also helped found the Air Force veterans' organization.

Ya'ari was a graduate in business administration of Columbia University in New York. He is survived by his wife and two children. His eldest son, Air Force Seren Tamir Ya'ari, died on May 17 of this year in the course of duty.

A GAY PROCESSION through the streets of Ramat, a new Jerusalem suburb, yesterday marked the receipt of a Torah scroll from Jews of Manchester for the synagogue of the Georgian immigrants in the quarter.

A IL400 airliner will go on sale Thursday at post offices and at the special IL400 windows of the Philatelic Services.

Police deny Kiryat Arba unit 'private army of Gush'

Jerusalem Post Staff

National Police Headquarters yesterday dismissed as "nonsense" allegations that the Border Police unit stationed at Kiryat Arba more than a year ago constituted "a private army at the disposal of Gush Emunim."

The description was used by Alignment MK Yosef Sarid, who will table an urgent motion for the agenda on the subject to be raised in the Knesset.

Dissemination of the unit was demanded by the Movement for a Different Zionism, in a telegram sent to Interior Minister Yosef Burg. (The movement is a recently organized left-wing alliance.)

In a press communique, the movement charged that the commander of the unit, Meir Bindor, was a Gush Emunim activist until his enlistment in the Border Police, and that most of the unit's men are Gush sympathizers.

A member of the movement answered a recent newspaper advertisement addressed to religious young men seeking "interesting security work in the Judea-Samaria area." His first interview, according to the communique, was with Rabbi Zvi Elidies, rabbi of the yeshiva where the enlisted men study.

The police spokesman said the unit was set up about 14 months ago by former police minister Shlomo Hillel. It has a complement of 14 men (the last two enlisted in August) and

there is no intention at the moment of enlarging it.

It is a regular Border Police unit, the spokesman added, which is engaged in general Border Police duties and is subordinate to the Border Police unit in Hebron. (This was apparently a reply to the charge of the Movement for a Different Zionism that the Kiryat Arba unit operates independently and has a large degree of freedom in selecting its operational tasks.)

The spokesman admitted that the men in the unit combine their police work with yeshiva study and are also permitted to sleep in their homes in Kiryat Arba.

He said that the men in the unit, without any exception, passed through all the regular steps of enlistment. The newspaper advertisement had been inserted by the head of the Kiryat Arba administration without any coordination with the Israel Police, and it apparently had no connection with the Border Police unit, the spokesman said.

Asked about the alleged sympathy of the unit's members for Gush Emunim, the spokesman said, "I don't know. Persons enlisted in the Border Police are not questioned about their political beliefs."

Political activity in the Border Police is forbidden, the spokesman pointed out. "Persons appointed to the force have to meet certain criteria. Their political beliefs are not one of these."

Peres: DMC won't change Begin's policy on peace

Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Labour Party chairman Shimon Peres yesterday dismissed suggestions that the Democratic Movement for Change will moderate Prime Minister Menachem Begin's policies on peace with the Arabs.

Peres told his party's executive bureau here that Begin's Herut party calls the tune in the government, and the DMC will now help it "create an artificial majority."

The support of 78 Knesset members in the 120-member chamber will blur the fact that "most Knesset members reject the Herut platform," Peres said. (He was referring to the fact that some members of the Liberal Party in the Likud, the National Religious Party and most DMC members prefer a more dovish policy.)

Peres rejected DMC leader Yigael Yadin's claim that Israel is facing "an emergency" and fast ap-

proaching a confrontation with the U.S. Yadin has said this was the "best reason" for his decision to join the Cabinet under the same Likud terms he had rejected last month.

But Peres claimed yesterday that "even the Likud leaders don't present the situation as an emergency." Begin did not find it necessary to ask Yadin for a briefing, and it was the DMC leader who initiated the meeting, Peres noted.

Labour's executive yesterday nullified the Beerseba branch decision to bar incumbent mayor Eliahu Nawi from running for another term. But Nawi yesterday repeated that he will not be running in any case.

Nawi said in a TV interview last night that, with the new system of direct mayoral elections, he would support the best candidate as his successor. He was commenting on a report that he had intended supporting the Likud candidate.

Athens strike delays Israel air traffic

BEN-GURION AIRPORT (Itim). — A slowdown by Athens flight controllers disrupted incoming and outgoing flights here yesterday.

An El Al spokesman said that flights coming in from London, Frankfurt and other places would be delayed by a few hours, because Athens control tower was holding them up.

EL AL FLIGHT 615 to London was held up this morning due to technical difficulties. The 400 passengers were transferred to Tel Aviv hotels. The flight left after 11 p.m. last night.

Tractor driver, 17, killed on Haifa Road

RAMAT HASHARON (Itim). — Roni Eliahu, 17, a local boy, was killed on Saturday night on the Haifa Road near PI Ghilot.

He was driving a tractor that was pulling a wagon loaded with rubbish. The wagon got loose from the hook that joined it to the tractor, overturned, and crushed the driver.

Clothes for the needy

School principals in Tel Aviv have been asked to make arrangements for their seventh- and eighth-graders to bring used clothes to class tomorrow as part of the central parents committee's drive to collect clothes for the needy.

PRICES

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on which the government collects stiff tax which in turn finances the subsidy on chicken.

He also said the price of sugar remains unchanged, but added the government is not now in profit on its import. (Sugar was subsidised in the past and has now been excluded from the list of subsidised products.)

A rise in the price of fuel, with the accumulated devaluations also to be expected in the future. As a result, the cost of power and of water will also add, the cost of postal services will probably rise in order to money from the public.

Bank of Israel Governor Gafny yesterday praised El measures but said that the should be cut even further. He that price distortions through economy should be eliminated including exchange-rate, premiums, subsidies to capital officially directed credit. The of Israel is due to eliminate of directed credits, with the ex of those for agriculture, November 1.

However, not all prices are up. The post office announced yesterday that telephone calls to Bulgaria and Congo Braz have now been reduced — to the first three minutes to 2 (IL45 for each additional 1 and to IL150 for the first minutes (IL150 for each additional 1) in the Congo. (See page 1.)

Stamp to Honour Nili commander

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Aharon Aharonson, agronomist from Zichron 1 who headed the Nili expedition adding to his role in World War I, will be commemorated by a postage at the Father's of the Yishuv cabinet decided yesterday.

One Nili figure, Avs Feinberg, was reintroduced on Herd when his grave was after the Six Day War. The is another Nili member, Lishansky, are asking, P. Menachem Begin to order remains transferred to Morn to emphasize that Lishansky's has been cleared once and to the suspicion that he had mu Feinberg. It has been said that he was killed by a Bedu

State witness in mutual flow to Euroj

Meir Zarihan, state's witness, the Eliahu Nili, was secretly flown out of the country last early yesterday night. In his testimony, he told a Aviv District Court how he saw two accused, Yitzhak Ohar-Viron Elroy, had murdered Arival drug dealer, in Petah, last August. He completed testimony a few days ago.

Zarihan, an ex-convict, brought in a close-up of the photo which they were to a disclosed European deal. (Itim)

AJC women begin 10-day study mission

The largest annual study of the women's division American Jewish Congress yesterday to gather information on the country's latest political, economic, social and developments.

Headed by the division's dent, Leona Chaimin, and Kolath of New York, the 60 will spend 10 days preparing for their communities through the U.S.

230 NEW LAWYERS — 730 women will gather in Haifa for the Bar Association next week traditional ceremony in Jerusalem. The chamber says this is the group ever to enter the profession in a single year.



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1,170 spots will be available in centre of Jerusalem on November 1 Card system makes downtown parking easier

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About 60,000 cards are now purchased each month for parking in the 370 spots around the centre of Jerusalem. On November 1, 300 more spots in municipal parking lots near Beit Hamandass, Independence Park, Beit Hama'alot and in Rehov Shamal — which are now operated by paid attendants — will come under the parking card system. City sources say the old system invited favoritism and corruption. Drivers will be able to park up to eight hours in these lots for two cards of IL4 each.

Many drivers who park card-less are caught, and about 2,000 parking tickets have been handed out in a month. Two people who used the cards but whose cards expired before they returned to their cars were Tamar Kollek, wife of the mayor, and Aharon Kamara, wife of the municipal inspector. Both paid the IL40 fines.

Since inspectors ticketing the cars have only licence numbers to go on, they have to locate the car's owner and address through the Transport Ministry's computers. (In doing so, the city found a few drivers whose cars had identical licence plate numbers.) "Scotflaws" (drivers who don't pay fines) get a mailed warning and then the fine goes to court. Such costs — in addition to 10 agorot per card to the outlet that sells them

and 25 more to Telpark, the firm that invented the copyrighted system — leave little profit for the municipality.

Yet city officials are pleased with the parking cards. It is appreciably less difficult to find parking places. Rather than leave cars in the centre of town for a whole day as a matter of convenience, many drivers park for shorter periods and only when they have to be there.

The Jerusalem Municipality convinced Tel Aviv and Haifa to recognize its cards, and now drivers can use them in all three major cities.

Residents and shoppers in East Jerusalem have complained that the inspectors ticket card-less vehicles

there on Saturdays, while in the rest of the city tickets are not handed out over the weekend. The city spokesman explains that,

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Dizengoff Circle opens traffic tomorrow

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

AVIV. — Dizengoff Circle will open to traffic tomorrow morning, marking the completion of the phase of the controversial project which promises to rejuvenate part of the city's business and shopping district and ease the traffic through the area.

Porters were treated yesterday morning of the construction site, thus completed within the next three months.

The new project, designed by architect Zvi Lissar, has joined the circle of Dizengoff Street, which was severed by the circle, with the new circle, which will be below the new circle, will be with no contact with the old circle, who will make their way from the circle over a ramp connected directly to the old circle. This creates the dangerous situation existed previously around the circle, where pedestrians and cars often intermingled.

The new circle will be both northbound and southbound. Traffic on the new circle will be with traffic in Dizengoff, with traffic going southwards (way) and Reineiss traffic to northbound vehicles. Beyond the section of Zamenhof Street to the circle will be closed and will become pedestrian.

Ramps and steps still under construction will directly connect the circle to the old circle, which are new decorative pavements.

The southern part of Dizengoff has been widened by an additional lane to accommodate the traffic expected when the floors of the Dizengoff Centre complex open to business in a few months. The first store — an

addition to the Hamaahbir chain — will begin operations in about two months. (Parking will be available both at the Dizengoff Centre and at the Clal Building.)

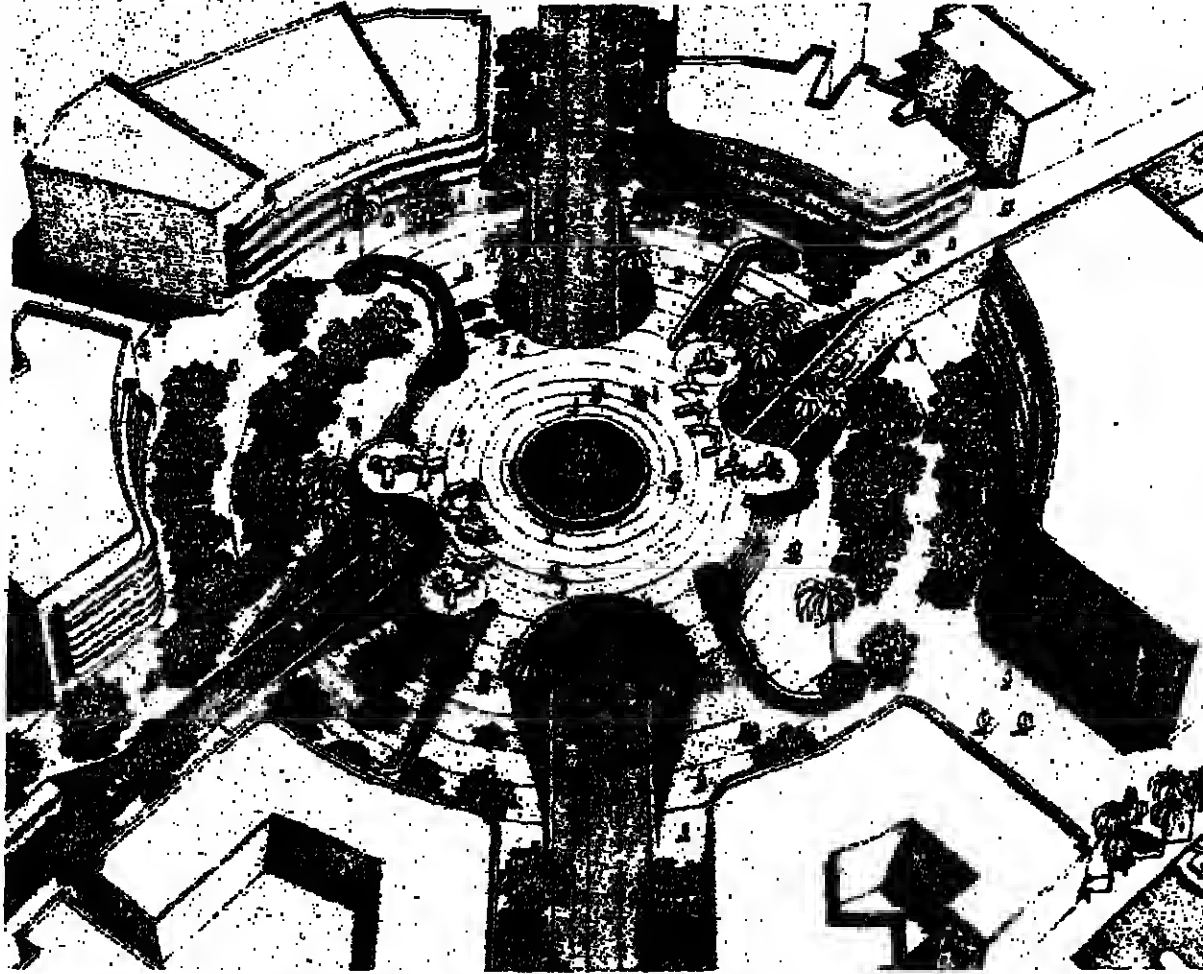
In addition to the construction of the new elevated circle and the road beneath it, covered water-mains were replaced in the first phase of the project, which began 10 months ago. This is one of the few examples of a large-scale project keeping pace with the original timetable and sticking to the original cost estimates. The construction phase of the project has so far cost the city 11.6m. The total cost of the project will be 111.5m.

Work still to be done includes the completion of the ramp connecting the upper level of the circle to the plaza which will be created below, when the old circular road and sidewalks are replaced by a pavement for the exclusive use of pedestrians. The elevated circle will also be paved and fitted with decorative side railings. A garden will be planted around the new fountain.

Deputy Mayor David Shifman, who guided reporters around the new circle, promised that "this will be one of the jewels of Tel Aviv. Despite the criticism levelled at us, I have no regrets about this project," he said.

Shifman promised that the project would include sorely needed public lavatories, a newstand and a city information bureau. The elevated circle, he said, would be green and shaded. A number of 12-metre-tall El-Arish palms already surround the circle.

Several newsmen, who have in the past been outspoken critics of the project, admitted they were impressed with it following yesterday's tour.



Architect Zvi Lissar's visualization of the new Dizengoff Circle, which opens to motor traffic tomorrow morning. (Ran Erbe)

2,000 freshmen start studies at Haifa U.

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Some 2,000 freshmen began their studies at the university here yesterday bringing the total number of students registered this year to over 7,000. This is 500 more than last year, the university spokesman announced.

Haifa University is also the academic patron of the Jezreel Valley and Tel Hai regional colleges where a total of 500 students have enrolled for this term. The university is now preparing for the seventh annual session of its board of governors at the end of this month. The main items on its agenda: the heavy deficit in the university's operating budget and the election of a new president to succeed Eliezer Rafaeli, who resigned earlier this year.

Eight arrested after stolen goods recovered in Tiberias

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Eight persons were arrested and thousands of pounds worth of electrical appliances believed to have been stolen were confiscated following a police raid in Tiberias over the weekend.

Five of those taken into custody are Tiberias residents. The other three suspects were arrested after the special police team headed by Rav-Pakad Yitzhak Hagag and Inspector Danny Maoz returned to Tel Aviv from Tiberias.

The police confiscated 24 air conditioners, washing machines and other electrical appliances from the Hof Ron Hotel. Appliances also were

confiscated from private homes in the Tiberias area.

The eight are believed to be linked to a gang of distributors of stolen electrical goods which the police have been investigating in recent months. Thirteen suspects have been arrested altogether.

Police raids in the Tel Aviv area last week netted more than 111m. worth of electrical appliances believed stolen.

According to police sources, the recent arrests and confiscations are only the "tip of the iceberg." It was reported that investigators are continually uncovering new leads, and more arrests are imminent.

T.A. it's faster to walk

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

AVIV. — The public transport in Tel Aviv is in a chaotic state and getting worse every day, says cooperative spokesman Shmuel Shifman told The Jerusalem Post yesterday.

It was the only thing that both agreed on, however. Each had a different story as to the cause of the situation and each put blame on the other.

Shifman said that Shifman has a more private car down-clogging it up for the buses. Shifman said the cooperative nply failed to keep pace with the city.

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the city during rush hours finds that it is a lot faster to walk.

The Dan cooperative's spokesman, Shmuel Shifman, claims that this congestion is the main cause of the collapse of the public transport system. And he said it arose because Shifman — instead of giving public transport more right of way — is allowing more and more private cars to move around the narrow streets in the centre of town.

Shifman pointed out that Shifman was once a representative of the merchants of Tel Aviv and for this reason is not willing to grant the bus cooperative more rights, which would include the exclusive use of certain downtown streets during rush hour.

Shifman told The Post that Dan members will be meeting tonight to decide what steps to take. He was not willing to say what the steps might be, but The Post learned that they could include blocking some of the city's main arteries with buses or a warning strike.

Shifman said the present situation cannot continue as "it is ruining our reputation." Some of our regular customers are switching to other sources of transportation, because of that a solution to the problem must be found.

Shifman, who is already feeling the heat of the coming municipal election campaign, put the blame on both Dan and on the Transport Ministry. He claims that Dan simply cannot catch up with the development of the city.

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Pope calls Chouraqui's 26-volume Bible translation 'a work of love'

By LISA PALMIERI-BILLIG
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ROME. — Andre Chouraqui, the former deputy mayor of Jerusalem, was named on Wednesday by Pope Paul VI in a special audience, in which he presented his 26-volume translation into French of the Old and New Testaments.

During their meeting the Pope said to Chouraqui, "One needs a great deal of love to have done what you have." And Chouraqui replied, "Without love there can be no beginning and no end."

This new translation — the first ever by a Jewish Israeli — is a stirring consideration of the Jewish faith as well as a Jewish world, a central, word by word return to the Hebrew and Aramaic linguistic and historic contexts, the Chouraqui Bible attempts to seek out the Jewish roots of both Testaments. Chouraqui, author of 26 books (translated into nine languages) was recently honoured with the French Academy's gold medal.

He arrived in Rome for his papal audience after a sojourn in Nancy for a four-day inter-faith, international symposium on the Chouraqui translation, sponsored by the French National Council for Scientific Research. He lectured in Rome at Sidio (a Catholic centre for Jewish studies) to an audience of rectors and deans of the Gregorian University and the Pontifical Biblical Institute. He was also interviewed by Italian TV and by the Vatican Radio, in Italian, French and English.

Chouraqui conveyed to the Pope President Katsir's congratulations on the Pontiff's 80th birthday. The Pope replied by sending greetings and blessings to the President and the people of Israel.

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Ministers discuss commercial TV — without deciding

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Cabinet ministers yesterday discussed the possibility of permitting commercial television — but they reached no decision and did not consider any specific proposals.

The basis for the discussions of the Ministerial Committee for the Broadcasting Authority was a memorandum on administrative reform drafted by the Likud before the elections, which noted that the principle of freedom of expression through the media did not go hand in hand with the statutory monopoly enjoyed by Israel Television.

Also brought up was the possibility of allowing Israeli TV to open a second channel, whose character would differ from the existing channel.

The committee discussed a number of ideas for shaping the Broadcasting Authority into a more effective mirror of the aims and objectives of the state and of Zionism.

Education Minister Zevulun Hammer, who has parliamentary responsibility for the Broadcasting Authority, heads the committee. The other members are Simha Ehrlich (Treasury), Ariel Sharon (Agriculture), Yigal Hurvitz (Industry, Commerce and Tourism) and David Levy (Immigrant Absorption).

The DMC's request that Yigael Yadin take over parliamentary responsibility for the authority from Hammer, which was not a precondition for joining the coalition, still has to be discussed between Yadin, Hammer and Premier Menachem Begin. Hammer is not likely to give up the job easily.

Man detained for intimidating witness

TEL AVIV (Itim). — A Holon man was detained in custody by order of the District Court here yesterday on suspicion of trying to intimidate a state's witness in the Farpar boutique arson case.

Moche Pando is alleged to have threatened Yoav Zvi — who drove the arsonists to the Givatayim boutique earlier this year and subsequently agreed to turn state's witness — with "a bullet in the head" if he testified against the owner of the boutique, Avraham Avni. Avni is on trial in District Court, accused of setting fire to his own shop.

Pando's lawyer asked the court not to have his client held in custody on the grounds that the only evidence against him was produced by the witness, Zvi. He asked instead that Pando be kept in custody until Zvi had finished testifying.

Youths attack Civil Guardsman

RAMAT GAN (Itim). — Two young men are being held here for attacking a Civil Guard volunteer — and turning a Doberman pinscher dog on him — when asked to identify themselves.

According to police, the two — who were not named — were stopped by the guard member yesterday while driving through Ramat Gan and asked to show a driver's licence. The driver said he had none, and his friend then got out, cursed the guardsman, struck him and turned the dog loose. The guard member fired in the air to frighten the dog, and policemen arrived to arrest the attackers.



Champion Bullenbiter Bruce — best of show at the Ashkelon International Dog Show — looks around on Saturday after vanquishing the field. The Staffordshire terrier, brought by an Australian couple, nosed out an Italian greyhound, Kasra von Feldschloess, brought from Dortmund in West Germany. Third place was taken by an Israeli Schnauzer, Bar-Zakani, belonging to the Kalman family of Ramat Gan. Some 611 dogs, of 55 different breeds, took part in the show. (Lester Millman)

U.S. computer body cuts ties with Soviets over Shcharansky

The American Association of Computer Scientists has cut its ties with the Soviet Union to protest the arrest of computer scientist Anatoly Shcharansky. The decision was delayed in a letter to the president of the Soviet Academy of Sciences, A.P. Alexandrov by Herbert Gross, president of the 35,000-member American organization. It was also made known to the scientists' committee of the Public Council for Soviet Jews in Israel.

Gross said his organization will not cooperate with or hold scientific discussions in a country which does not promote intellectual freedom.

Shcharansky was arrested on March 15 on charges of working for the CIA, and has since been held in jail. He had applied for an exit permit to Israel in 1973 and, after being denied, became one of the leaders of the "refuseniks" in Moscow.

A short time before Shcharansky's arrest a letter was published in the Communist Party paper "Izvestia," charging Shcharansky and other scientists with working for the CIA. Similar protests from various other scientific bodies have been made to Soviet authorities, noting among other things that the repression of human rights could halt communication between Soviet scientists and their Western counterparts.

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Holocaust survivor testifies in N.Y. trial: Maikovskis whipped Jewish children

NEW YORK (AP). — Boleslav Maikovskis beat and whipped Jewish children, some as young as three years old, during the Nazi occupation of Latvia during World War II, an Israeli woman who survived the Holocaust said on Friday.

Ida Treger's testimony came at Maikovskis' deportation hearing in immigration court in Manhattan.

"The hearings are open to the press but closed to the public for fear of reprisals against Maikovskis, a retired 73-year-old carpenter from Minnesota, New York, who has lived in the U.S. since 1951. The hearings resume on Tuesday.

The government says Maikovskis "performed, participated in, and acquiesced in activities and conduct contrary to civilization and human decency" during World War II.

More specifically, he is charged with having helped select Jews to be executed in Latvia and with having assaulted Jews. At the time Maikovskis is reputed to have been a member of the local Latvian police force.

Similar government charges are pending against at least 14 other alleged war criminals, including Valerian D. Trifa, bishop of the Rumanian Orthodox Episcopate of America in Grass Lake, Michigan. Other cases — perhaps 50 or more — are still open pending further investigation.

Mrs. Treger, who lost almost her entire family during the war, was 24 when the Nazis stormed into Latvia and herded Jews into the ghetto, forced them to wear yellow stars on their clothing for identification purposes, and housed them in barracks formerly used as a horse stable. She is now 60.

But in court on Friday, Mrs. Treger looked over at the graying Maikovskis and declared: "Even now it looks like him, after all these years."

Maikovskis did not react.

On Thursday, Chava Ljak, who like Mrs. Treger emigrated to Israel from Latvia, charged that Maikovskis forced together 800 Jewish children shortly before they were taken away to be killed.

Last week, a 65-year-old Israeli industrialist admitted under oath examination that he did not identify Boleslav Maikovskis the first time he was shown a picture during an interview with Israeli police last November.

Ya'acov Noy said he identified Maikovskis as being a Latvian police guard when he was shown other photographs. At no time during the interview last November did Noy identify Maikovskis by name, he said.

Noy had earlier testified that some Jews were beaten and others killed in Latvia during the summer of 1941. However, he did not tie Maikovskis to the executions.

During Noy's third and final day of testimony last week he was questioned repeatedly about the interview he gave Immigration Judge Francis Lyons last week. "I think the transcript makes it clear that the name was brought up by the interviewer," Lyons said.

He gave in German to Israeli authorities last year. Attorney Joseph Lombardo, who is defending Maikovskis, pressed Noy about his statement during that interview which was translated as: "I don't know the names of these Latvians, but I am sure to have seen them in the ghetto."

On the first day, Noy said of Maikovskis: "He would watch people as they would enter and if they held a loaf of bread or something in their hand, he would pull them out of a line and ... (they) would be beaten."

Maikovskis' case resumed last week after a hiatus of nearly one year.

If the government wins its case and Maikovskis is deported, he could be put on trial and sentenced to death. In 1965 he was convicted of war crimes in Latvia.

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Callaghan to Board of Deputies: 'Holding territories invites war'

By HYAM CORNEY
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — Premier James Callaghan stated here yesterday that he does not believe that Israel's security can be guaranteed indefinitely by the occupation of territory. "That is a standing invitation to continuing tension and the danger of renewed war," he said.

Addressing a special session of the Board of Deputies of British Jews to mark the 50th anniversary of the Balfour Declaration, which is being celebrated next week, Callaghan said that while the borders of a state must be "geographically relevant," the possession of territory was no longer the only security factor. This is exactly the same line adopted by Foreign Secretary David Owen when he addressed the UN General Assembly a few weeks ago.

Callaghan — the first-ever British premier to address the Board of Deputies — said that he had been encouraged by the experience in Sinai "because this has shown that the development of sophisticated electronic devices can give advance

warnings and therefore enhance security without the physical occupation of territory."

But in return for giving up territory, it was "vital" that Israel should secure commitments to peace and to the establishment of normal diplomatic, commercial and cultural relations with her Arab neighbours. "These commitments must be complemented by solid guarantees in which Israel can have full confidence," he added.

Noting that America had expressed its readiness to take part in such commitments, he said that Britain and the other members of the European Economic Community did likewise. "What Israel needs is a peace treaty which gives her recognition by her neighbours, secure borders and external guarantees. Such a treaty would offer at least as great a certainty as the deployment of missiles or the occupation of land."

Stressing that Britain was among Israel's friends, he said that his country would "not abandon Israel

... we would not support any settlement which jeopardized Israel's existence or security. Our commitment to an acceptable and lasting peace in the region is unqualified and in the ultimate British interest. But we have always been concerned, too, about the appalling human problems of those who lost their homes and their livelihood during the various stages of the Arab-Israeli dispute. Unless we accept and understand their sense of grievance, we will never achieve a peace that is acceptable or lasting."

"There is no prospect of a lasting peace in the Middle East unless the Palestinian problem is solved. We believe that the way to solve it is by setting up a homeland of some kind for the Palestinian Arabs."

"It is not for us to say what form that homeland should take. That is a matter for the parties concerned. But it obviously cannot be just in Jordan."

"There are over a million Palestinians in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip who would neither be absorbed by Jordan nor would wish to be uprooted from their present homes. Most of these people are not refugees. Some means of satisfying their aspirations without posing an unacceptable threat to Israel's security has got to be found if peace is to come."

Callaghan said that he was looking forward to discussing these issues and the prospects for a reconvened Geneva conference with Premier Menachem Begin next month in London.

The Premier was thanked by veteran Socialist and Anglo-Jewish leader Lord Janner, now 85, and by Dr. S. Levenberg, Jewish Agency representative in Britain and a vice-president of the Board, who reminded the audience that in a debate in the House of Commons during the Yom Kippur War, Callaghan, then in opposition, had spoken against an imposed Middle East settlement and in favour of direct talks.

Smith says peace plan won't work

SALISBURY (Reuter). — Prime Minister Ian Smith said last night he did not believe the Anglo-American initiative for a peaceful Rhodesian settlement would succeed.

In a television interview with the Rhodesian Broadcasting Corporation, he said he thought the plan would fail in its first major task — getting a cease-fire between the white-ruled Rhodesian security forces and black nationalist guerrillas fighting for majority rule.

"I hate to strike a pessimistic note, but I have to be pragmatic and ensure that Rhodesians are not led astray into believing that things will happen which I don't believe will happen," Smith told a panel of Rhodesian journalists.

"I cannot see this initiative succeeding. This is my absolute and honest assessment."

Britain's resident commissioner-designate for Rhodesia, Lord Carver, and UN representative-general Prem Chand are due in Salisbury from Lusaka on November 2 for discussions with the government and nationalist leaders.

"I believe they will be here about a week," Smith said. "By the end of that time we should have some idea (if the initiative is going to work)."

Smith said Lord Carver faced a "well-nigh impossible" task by trying "to bring about a cease-fire prior to the confirmation of the final result, the constitution," arranging majority rule. He said the British had put the cart before the horse.

"I am not holding out much hope for the present initiative under the circumstances in which they think they are going to operate, because I don't think we are going to succeed with the first operation, the one that Lord Carver is coming out here to try to implement," he said.

Asked if he meant the cease-fire, he replied: "Yes."

Ethiopians, Somalis clash over strategic walled city

NAIROBI (Reuter). — Ethiopian and Somali forces have clashed in the last few days around the strategic walled city of Harar in Ethiopia's eastern highlands, according to communiques from both sides yesterday.

Radio Mogadishu quoted "Danab," the newspaper of the Western Somalia Liberation Front (WSLF), as saying its guerrillas had killed 44 Ethiopian government troops in fighting between Harar and the Bahle Gelo, 20 km to the west.

Both the WSLF and diplomats in several centres in the region have been saying for the last week that the battle for Harar, an ancient city

perched on a mountaintop, is imminent.

Harar and Dire Dawa to the north are the last two major cities in eastern Ethiopia still in government hands. Their capture is crucial for the Somali forces if they are to secure the gains made in the last three months of fighting in the Ogaden desert and eastern highlands.

For the Ethiopians, the two cities are essential bastions in the defence of the country.

Addis Ababa Radio said nine Somalis were killed when they attacked two towns in the Harar region.

35th anniversary of Allied victory at El Alamein

Survivors mark battle that needn't have been

By DON SCHANCHE
Los Angeles Times News Service

EL ALAMEIN, Egypt. — The landscape where Nazi Germany lost its first major battle (it was never again to win one), and where the British Commonwealth fought and won the last unaided victory of its modern history, remains an desolate today as it was on October 23, 1942.

Early on that day, in the light of a full moon made brighter by the continuous fire of 1,000 British artillery pieces, Montgomery launched the attack here that was to cost the Commonwealth 13,000 casualties and make Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery, who died last year at age 88, a legend.

The Germans, led by another legendary figure, General — later Field Marshal — Erwin Rommel, lost 1,000 dead, as did their Italian allies. The battle was a turning point in World War II — although there is considerable doubt whether it even should have been fought.

At any rate, yesterday, as they do every year on this anniversary, representatives of the former warring nations gathered shoulder-to-shoulder at El Alamein to honour not only their own, but also one another's dead.

As always, despite the periodic efforts of some aging veterans to turn the event into a spectacle, it was a simple ceremony, with wreaths laid by all at each of three characteristically different war memorials: a British cemetery that suggests a country garden, a fortress-like granite German mausoleum on a promontory commanding the Mediterranean, and a marble Italian structure overlooking a Roman Catholic chapel that stands in a grove of fig and palm trees.

This year's attempt to make the humble memorial services into a



Field Marshal Rommel



Field Marshal Montgomery

spectacular event was the abortive effort of a retired Wehrmacht colonel in Cairo. He tried with fanfare to entice Rommel's son, Manfred, now the mayor of Stuttgart, to attend. But the West German embassy disavowed the invitation, and Rommel politely declined.

A year ago the retired German colonel sought to establish a museum devoted to Rommel at nearby Mersa Matruh, where the Desert Fox dealt the British 8th Army its last major defeat a few months before El Alamein.

"I told him that if he did such a thing I personally would go to the family of Lord Montgomery and offer to set up an even bigger Montgomery museum in Cairo," the West German attaché in Cairo,

Hubert Thiesen, said. "The notion of museums to generals for battles fought 35 years ago is ludicrous."

A war museum of sorts does exist at El Alamein, however, built and maintained by the Egyptian government and carefully arranged to give both sides equal display. Dust-covered glass cases hold varieties of weapons used by the Germans and Italians. They are matched by equally dusty cases of firearms with which the English and their allies fought.

In a back room the Egyptians have added their own display of artifacts and gory pictures commemorating their meat attack on Israeli forces in 1973.

In the nearby British cemetery, the largest and best-tended of the war memorials, stand 7,354

headstones. Although mostly English, they read like an international rollcall. "Private H. Stein, age 24," inscribed above a Star of David and identified as one of the King's Own Hussars. "J. Pyntk Szcz, Polish forces, age 27." "Sergeant Norman Wellington, Royal Air Force, age 22."

Historians argue that many of them need not have died at all. According to Sir Basil Liddell Hart and others, Rommel had reached the end of his string when he caught up with the retreating British 8th Army, dug in for the last defence of Egypt at El Alamein. His famed Afrika Korps was short of fuel and had only 500 tanks and 30,000 men, including a substantial force of Italians he did not trust.

Facing him, Montgomery had one of the greatest military forces ever assembled until that time — 230,000 men, 1,100 tanks and more than 1,000 artillery pieces.

Moreover, Montgomery and Prime Minister Winston Churchill, both of whom waited a major victory to bolster morale at home, knew that in just 17 days General Dwight D. Eisenhower would send a combined allied force ashore in North Africa, so endangering Rommel's rear that he would have to retreat in haste to Tunisia.

Yet El Alamein was fought, and with such grinding slowness that many lives were lost unnecessarily by the time Rommel — down to his last 10 tanks — retreated.

But as Royal Air Force Wing Commander John Coltman, the British air attaché in Cairo who arranged yesterday's ceremonies, said, no one goes to El Alamein to debate whether the men who lie there died in vain.

"The price of pride is high, and paid by the young,"

WORLD SCENE

The Philippine Moros

IN RECENT WEEKS reports have increased of violence in the southern Philippines, where Moslem rebels are seeking some form of autonomy, but so far the world has paid scant attention to an armed struggle which has taken the lives of thousands of persons in the past five years or so.

The origins of the conflict go back to the 16th century, when the Spanish conquered the Philippines and tried to convert the Moslems there to Christianity. Three hundred and fifty years of Spanish rule made the Filipinos, as people of basically Malayan stock, the only Roman Catholic country of Asia and left a deep Latin imprint there.

The subsequent 48 years of U.S. administration did much to impose a structure of Western education and politics, but surging nationalism led the Philippines to seek an authentic Asian identity.

The Spanish, who called the Moslems "Moros" (Moors), drove them south when they stubbornly resisted conversion. When the Philippines were ceded to the Americans after the Spanish war, guerrilla warfare was launched against the U.S. troops. Peace was established in 1902 except — interestingly enough — among the Moros.

And the history of trouble from the Moros did not end even after independence in 1946. Today, the trouble area in the south has six million inhabitants, two million of them Moslems. This is only about 5 per cent of the country's population, but the Manila government reportedly has some 50,000 troops in the south at a cost of about \$300,000 a day.

ONE MAJOR REASON for the Moslems' desire for autonomy is undoubtedly the fact that they were largely neglected during both the Spanish and American administrations and also during the earlier years of independence. President Ferdinand Marcos in the early 1970s attempted to channel development assistance to overcome the rebellion, but the idea of Moslem autonomy probably had taken too much root then for such aid to be effective.

For some 10 months now there has been a cease-fire in the southern Philippines, punctuated by skirmishes. In the past few weeks these have escalated to dangerous propor-



Shaded areas show proposed autonomous area of 13 provinces.

tions with the massacre by Moslems of a Philippine general and 24 troops at a "peace meeting" in a market place.

This led to a Moslem claim that the army massacred 400 civilians in retaliation and a denial by Defense Undersecretary Barbano who last week blamed the killing of Gen. Bautista and his men on "those bastards in a Middle East country."

He obviously was blaming Nur Misuari, head of the Moro National Liberation Front, who is now based in Libya. Why Libya? Because the main support of the Moros for years has been Libyan strongman Muammar Gaddafi, who championed them by giving them arms (supplied by Russia). Gaddafi saw in their struggle another step to his dream of a united Moslem community from the Atlantic to the Pacific under his ideological Islamic leadership.

Still unexplained is why Gaddafi began negotiating so strongly for peace on Mindanao Island through successive Islamic conferences — although Manila for obvious reasons was willing to sit at the conference table.

A cease-fire was worked out a peace plan evolved for the proposed autonomous region of 13 provinces where Christians form the majority in all but five. In late April, 90 per cent of the electorate rejected MNLF proposals, and the tiny coastline.

IN THE PEACE talks conducted in Tripoli, the Moros, led by Misuari, dropped their demand for outright independence. Obviously they were under pressure from daili, who this year has a worrying business in the Horn of Africa. Gaddafi in this case is a common cause with the Moslems against Islamic Somalia.

But Misuari, who now remains in Tripoli with his staff at daili's expense, still demands Moslem autonomous region (known as the Bangsamoro Region), which would have its own flag. President Marcos was willing to grant a measure of autonomy, but he rejected the MNLF's more radical proposals.

In addition, neighboring Southeast Asian states predominantly non-Muslims were not too happy at the prospect the Marcos government being pressed to maintain control in the area, and the 13 provinces have away to form a separate state.

The unpleasant prospect was independent Moro state as doorstep being a strong ally of tant Libya backed by Soviet Russia and arms.

Some months ago, Adm. Ramon Espaldon, commander of the government armed forces in the south, had some eminently sensible words to say on the subject: "We cannot solve this with military force alone. These people have neglected for centuries. We have to develop the area and provide with economic progress if we win them back."

In his epic trilogy, "USA," Don Passos wrote, "A lot of men died in Mindanao." Unfortunately, with the way things are going in Mindanao, many more the prospect of dying there in near future.

At posh galleries they call it erotic art

NEW YORK (AP). — If you pay \$5 at a Times Square sex shop, the picture is called pornography. If you pay \$500 at Sotheby Parke Bernet's gallery on fashionable Madison Avenue, it's called erotic art.

And, of course, bidders for the collection of designer Kenneth Jay Lane didn't have to worry about a police raid on Saturday.

The erotic, which included such choice bits as a woman making love with an antelope and a man interrupting his love-making to shoot an arrow at a rat, brought \$2,300.

There were also two watercolors by the 18th-century English painter

Thomas Rowlandson — A Succubus and The Larking Cull, the latter accompanied by a hand-written poem quite explicitly describing the action.

The erotic art was only a small part of Lane's eclectic collection which, over two days, realized \$445,620.

The hit of the sale on Saturday was an engraved crown of antlers, formerly the property of William Randolph Hearst, which went to a New York dealer for \$32,500. They were designed by Thomas Boos near Kitzbuhel, Austria, in 1864.

The dealer, Philip R. Robert, New

man, a retired banker and former president of the New Orleans Museum, who stopped bidding the price went to \$51,000.

Newman has a vacation near Kitzbuhel and wanted to tell soldiers back to Austria. He had some thoughts after the sale and he would try to acquire the art from the dealer who bought it.

Five killed in hail storm

MAPUTO, Mozambique (Reuter). — Hail as big as hen's eggs rained Maputo for nearly half an hour, killing five people and injuring more than 100, the Mozambique agency AIM reported yesterday.

Hail stones weighing 50 grams through windows and roofs, and trees, causing extensive damage to the Mozambique capital, its port, airport, and surrounding countryside.

The agency said the dead had been electrocuted by fallen wires, injured were either hit by hailstones — some of them measured 10 centimeters in diameter — or by falling branches, or broken glass.

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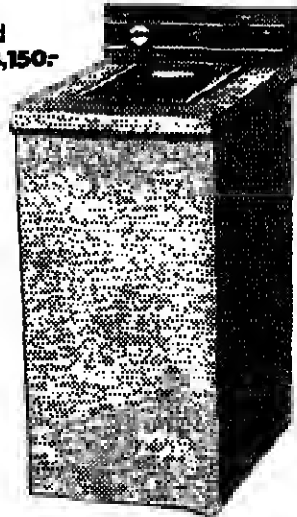
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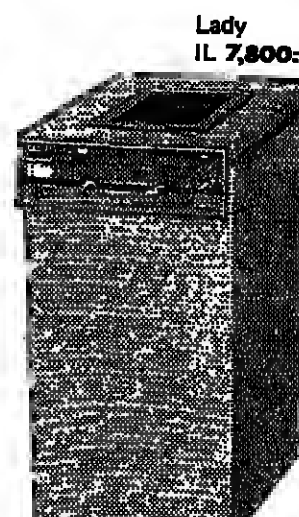
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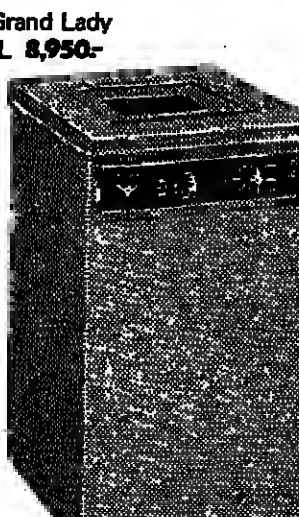
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Workers' real average wages rose 46 per cent in the first months of the year, compared with the same period last year, according to the bank of Israel data.

The bank's analysis further shows that the public sector employees, more than any other group, succeeded in compensating themselves for the decline in their real wages in the last few years. Their wages rose by 75.5 per cent in January-May this year, compared with the level of the first five months in 1976. On the opposite, the real wage of the public sector workers had been eroded by 18 per cent in 1974-76, so that the wage increases they obtained in 1977 were less than a restoration of the previous wage level.

In the last few years, there was a fall in real average wages of 2.4 per cent in 1974, a further decline of 1.9 per cent in 1975, a rise of 12.2 per cent in 1976 and finally a large jump of 8.6 per cent in the first five months of 1977.

In industry, real wages rose cumulatively by 7.6 per cent in the years 1974-76, when wage policy was designed to favour production workers. In the first five months of 1977 there was a further rise of eight per cent in industrial wages.

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Mini move, but welcome

THE TREASURY'S present round of price increases on subsidized goods and services — resulting from a new policy of creeping subsidy cuts — is noteworthy mainly for what it is not. It is neither novel nor unexpected, and despite the opposition of Histaadrut Secretary-General Yeruham Meahel it does not threaten an attack on workers' living standards.

Least of all does it augur any new departure towards a coherent economic policy.

The planned price increases, which are expected to save the Treasury some IL500m. during the rest of the current fiscal year, will probably raise the consumer price index on the average by no more than 2 per cent.

This average will be little consolation to the low-income groups in whose consumption basket the subsidized goods and services weigh most heavily. Yet it is clear that when inflation runs at the rate of 30 per cent a year, the prices of subsidized goods and services cannot be kept stable artificially.

Nonetheless, such price increases, which are the equivalent of indirect taxes, will inevitably have a regressive impact. The very lowest income groups should therefore be compensated fully and without delay for the rise in their cost of living.

If Finance Minister Eshkol really intends to space out the reduction of subsidies so as to spread them more or less evenly over time, there is little point to Mr. Meahel's demand that the price hikes be timed so as to become reflected in the cost-of-living allowance. In retrospect, it is to be regretted that the proposed system of a gradual reduction of subsidies was not adopted long ago.

Ineluctable as the subsidy cuts may be in a time of steep inflation, it only points up that the oft-repeated promise to slow down inflation and renew economic growth is being relegated to an ever more distant future. So far there is no indication that the Finance Minister has any clear idea of what strategy will lead to attainment of these goals.

The present economic mini-package is once again no more than a stop-gap measure. It is justified on the grounds that the economy is faced with a demand inflation, which requires that excess purchasing power be mopped up.

In truth, the massive injection of cash in recent months may, after a lag of 6-9 months, create conditions of demand inflation; but for the time being there is no sign of it. The available data show that by far the largest part of the price inflation is of the cost-push type, and therefore largely government-induced.

Perhaps Mr. Eshkol should re-examine the recession oriented approach he inherited from his predecessor. It is a policy that has kept the economy in a state of stagnation for nearly four years — with no change in sight.

The target: Jews

THE DETAILS of last week's dramatic rescue of the Lufthansa hostages from the hands of Arab terrorists has been pushed out of public awareness by the equally dramatic denouement of the suicide of the Baader-Meinhof prisoners and the Schleyer murder. This is a pity, for closer scrutiny of the Lufthansa case suggests a pattern which should trip alarm bells, especially for Jews, but no less so for civilized people the world over.

The hijacking of the German aircraft had nothing to do with the Arab-Israeli dispute; neither did the earlier Japan Airlines outrage. Nonetheless, in both cases the terrorists, Arabs in one and Japanese in the other, made a point of seeking Jewish passengers for special "treatment." They appeared to be greatly disappointed in their failure to find any.

There is a danger in the world becoming inured to such an application of the "Selektion Prinzip" against Jews established by Dr. Josef Mengele of Auschwitz fame. The practical working of this "principle" nowadays was demonstrated by the German hijackers of the Air France plane that landed at Entebbe last year, where scores of Jewish passengers were promptly separated from the non-Jews; and by the Black Muslim Hanafi capture of the Bnai Brith headquarters in Washington earlier this year.

The prevailing tendency is to write off these acts as "regrettable but understandable" expressions of Arab and even Moslem rage against Jews, as the international extension of the fight against Israel, to whose annihilation they are ultimately pledged. This attempted rationalization is widely accepted — paradoxically enough — along with the standard pretence that the Arabs carefully distinguish between "Jews" and "Zionists."

The Lufthansa case, however, provided clear proof that the anti-Jewish phobia is the motor-force behind Arab cooperation with international terrorism. For consider the following facts:

The Lufthansa hijackers automatically headed for Arab airports, on the obvious assumption that only in the Arab world would they be assured sympathetic treatment. Although the Somali government no doubt collaborated to some degree, however grudgingly, with the German anti-terrorist commando group, it did so in patent expectation of a Western payoff in the Ogaden war — and only under international pressure.

After the event, and in response to West German expressions of thanks, the Somali government went out of its way to deny any involvement in foiling the hijacker's murderous intentions, in order to maintain face in the Arab world, and neither Somalia nor any other Arab state joined with other states in congratulating Bonn on the rescue.

Perhaps most shocking of all: the Lufthansa captain who was murdered by the hijackers was delivered into their hands for execution by officials of the Aden airport in Southern Yemen, after he had managed to escape from the plane.

In the light of this evidence — and in view of the further fact that the entire case was wholly unconnected with the Middle East conflict — the readiness in Western capitals to swallow the contention that in the Lufthansa incident the Arab states — and even the PLO — have shown their newly acquired "aversion" to air piracy as a policy is certainly amazing.

Least comprehensible has been the campaign mounted by the Bonn Government immediately after the rescue extolling Arab cooperation as an important step in the further cementing of Arab-German relations.

POSTSCRIPTS

THE BOND of sisterhood between women can sometimes override politics.

At the recent triennial conference of the International Federation of University Women, to which the Israel Association sent a delegation, one of the Israeli delegates was pleasantly surprised to find her counterpart from Sri Lanka (which no longer maintains diplomatic ties

with Israel) coming up to talk to her. "So Gola's gone," said the Sri Lankan with genuine regret in her voice.

"And so has Mrs. Bandaranaike," replied the Israeli.

"We've both lost our women Prime Ministers," noted the Sri Lankan mournfully.

The two walked off arm-in-arm to the conference session. F.D.

It's not been easy to take power — or lose it

Neither the Likud Cabinet nor the Alignment seems to be prepared for its new role in the country — of Government and opposition, writes

YOSEF GOELL. He suggests, for one thing, that the Labour Party must think seriously about changes in its top team if it is to be effective.

Mr. Begin's flexibility can be assumed to be the result of a changed awareness of political reality. But does that mean that he had an unfocused image of that reality all the time he was in the Opposition? What was he doing all those years?

THE SITUATION is not much different when one considers domestic issues. Five months after the elections and four months after the Likud's assumption of power, there is still no sign of any meaningful, coherent economic policy. To be sure, there has been much firing from the hip, sporadic floating of not very inflated trial balloons, and attempts at some ideological pyrotechnics concerning charges of favouritism to kibbutzim, the "scorched earth" the Alignment government reputedly left behind, and so on.

It is encouraging to hear that Messrs. Eshkol, Flom, Hurvitz and Co. are learning from experience. The well-founded implication that their learning process

began only on June 21, is troubling. What were they doing during the long years when they should have been preparing for the Great Day? The same troubling question may be asked of practically all the present office-holders, who give the impression of not having invested much thought in the problems they are confronting.

In all fairness, it could be argued that, with the exception of Mr. Begin, none of the other Likud ministers had any way of knowing which post he would be assigned to. At the beginning of the election campaign, Mr. Begin was repeatedly asked whether the Likud would name a shadow cabinet, so that prospective ministers could prepare for the jobs they might have to fill. And he consistently rejected the idea, mainly because he wanted to avert an all-out struggle for power before that power had been won.

ALL THIS, of course, is being said in criticism of the Likud's performance, or non-performance, while in

the Opposition. My main intention, however, is to apply the same questions, not to the past, but to the present and future: not to the Likud Government, but to the Alignment Opposition.

Common courtesy and a feeling of humanity dictate that the stricken Alignment be accorded a period of grace in which to recover from its abysmal defeat. But five months after the event, one has a nagging feeling that the Alignment has not yet even begun to settle down to exploit the positive aspects of being relegated to the Opposition.

There are positive aspects to being out of power. In addition to the time to look inward and re-establish the minimum of internal integration needed for a functioning party, there is a release from the daily pressures of governmental responsibility.

There is, or should be, time to strengthen the leadership, to attract new faces, and, most important of all, to think and to plan.

It is a truism that the Likud did not so much win the election as the

Alignment lost it. But Alignment? Or "Labour"? simply a theoretical category identifiable party leadership. May, and there is good reason to believe that if the same leadership fielded again three years later, Labour will lose again. One needs to make them is now ten years in the Opposition.

LABOUR must analyse the situation made in office. How tackle the same problems given a reprieve and return power in a few years? How party put its finger on the pulse of the country and attempt to cure ills? Opposition-time is all God-given opportunity to give to such important questions.

Labour is fortunate in having a leadership that is capable of dealing with the fact of politics all along: its at Beit Berl. Because of pressures and the daily considerations of a party in power, the political studies were conducted there rarely, had any effect on Labour's policy. But the mechanisms for directed thinking and planning — it does not have to be established from scratch.

Asking the Likud, "What do during 24 years in the position?" is legitimate, or but somewhat academic for the other hand, one can say that some people in Labour are asking themselves a similar question. The answer may well mine the length of time the spend in the Opposition.

READERS' LETTERS

THE LOYALTIES OF AMERICAN JEWS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — In the writer of statements concerning America's recent shift in Middle Eastern policy and the consequent reactions of Israel and world Jewry, the Administration suggested that American Jews ought to put American interests before Israeli ones. The statement brings to mind the age-old bogey of "dual loyalties," an accusation often made against Jewish citizens in the Diaspora. It was natural, therefore, for the American Jewish lobby to stress the congruence of American and Israeli interests, particularly when viewed against the backdrop of Soviet machinations in this area.

But the very fact that the "dual loyalty" issue was raised must not go unnoticed. For it might signal more directly to Jews what is foreign policy concerning Israel, but a challenge as to the place and status that American Jewry enjoys in the world's largest democratic society.

Compared with the situation in Eastern Europe, where Jews had adverse feelings towards traditional, anti-Semitic governments, American Jewry evinced a positive identification with what was regarded to be a truly pluralistic society, that gave to that community the fullest freedom of development and expression.

Despite this apparently happy state of affairs American Jewry preferred for many decades to stress

its separate identity in religious terms rather than ethnic ones. After the Six-Day War, however, the majority of American Jews came to regard Israel quite clearly as the homeland. After all, the Irish, the Italians and the Germans clung to their ethnic links; so why should the Jews not do the same?

This ethnic link has certainly exposed American Jewry, much more than before, to the vicissitudes of Diaspora Jewish identification. In what sociologists have come to regard as a far from perfect pluralistic order. It would be reasonable to ask how equal are the various ethnic groups in that society even when the focus is not on the blacks and the coloured.

Is it the case that Jews have now been singled out for differential treatment in what might be the more WASPish attitude of the Carter Administration, or could this have repercussions on other ethnic groups, too, in the future?

There are clear signs that the Carter Administration is interpreting the meaning of "American interests" in such a way that they tend to clash with "Israeli interests," and in consequence with the desires and interests of the American Jewish community. Therefore, the latter is likely to find itself in increasing difficulties when trying to accommodate to this new political reality.

PROFESSOR ERNEST KRAUSE
Ramat Gan.

SCULPTURE v. PUBLIC

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — I am relieved that Meir Ronnen has taken a stand against sculpture that, in their eyes, are ugly and out of place (October 14). The Alexander Calder statue is a particularly blatant example.

I should like to add two more considerations to the ones Mr. Ronnen mentioned.

One, before the erection of the statue, the site at which it stands provided a particularly lovely view of the mountain sloping down to a valley, one of those glimpses of beauty that could make one's day. Only the uncluttered space at the junction made that view possible, and there is no sculpture which would not spoil it.

Two, and more important: the junction at which the statue is situated is only a few hundred metres from Mount Herzl Cemetery and Yad Vashem, and therefore felt to be a part of it. It is in the context that makes one see it as not only ugly, but offensive. To me, the red iron girders evoke associations of cruelty and bloodshed, and though I pass it at least twice a day, it feels like a slap in the face each time. No doubt everyone's personal reaction is different, but most people I have heard talk about it find it distressing and offensive in its context, and wish it could be removed.

RACHAEL CHAZAN
Jerusalem.

Sir, — You are to be congratulated for your art coverage in general and for Meir Ronnen's article in particular (Sculpture v. Public). Meir Ronnen expressed accurately the thoughts of at least one reader.

Why should it not be mandatory for sculptors to show true ability before allowing them to litter the public squares and sky line? Moreover, art must never be manipulated by bureaucrats to be monuments of their mediocrity.

LEON RUDOLF
Jerusalem.

PENFRIENDS

BENNETT REICH (16), of 7497 Rockridge Road, Baltimore, Md. 21203, would like to have Israeli penfriends. He is interested in cars, scouts, bikes and stamps.

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To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
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ASSOCIATION FOR CIVIL RIGHTS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — An organization on the lines of the American Civil Liberties Union does exist in Israel ("Civil Liberties Union" by Stanley Levin, October 11). Called the Association for Civil Rights in Israel, it was set up in 1972 with the active assistance of the American Jewish Committee. Most of its leading members are university law lecturers and members of the Israel Bar. But its membership includes Israelis from all professions and walks of life, and also supporters of the Association from overseas.

The limiting factor in the Association's ability to make itself known among the Israeli public is shortage of funds and lack of paid personnel. Even so, it has succeeded in making itself an "address" in numerous cases in which citizens have felt their civil rights to be endangered. These include cases of false arrest, expropriation of property, and freedom of speech. The Association has also held symposia on basic laws and expropriation, and is now publishing a newsletter.

The Association looks forward to an expanded membership which will enable it to develop its activities so as to influence Israeli public affairs. Those interested are invited to contact us care of P.O.B. 8273, Jerusalem.

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